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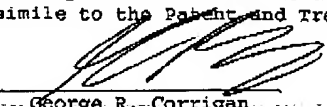
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Sir:

Herewith is a preliminary amendment for the application identified
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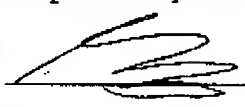
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Ind. claims:	12 minus 3	=	9	X	\$86.00 =	\$774.00

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHonorable Commissioner of
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the issuance of the first Office Action please
amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.